

Deceivers



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HANDSHAKE WITH HELL

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: ALISSA WHITE-GLUZ

Lead – Amott Fools never cease to amaze

Keep digging your grave

A lobotomy

Collective consciousness
Synapses between us

We pierce the sky with fists
We shroud the Earth in dust

Down here for eternity
Where fire and ice meet
You burnt the world above
We rule the world beneath

Bow, sit down, take a knee
Before powers that be
We're here to spread the flame
Welcome to the game

And after all is said and done
Before a new day has begun
Bid your worries all goodbye
Flee the pan, into the fire!

And after all is said and done
Since the moon eclipsed the sun
Can you feel the wrath of truth?
Does it burn you like abuse?

Fool me once and I'm numb
Twice and I'm dumb
Thrice, I won't be fooled again

Lead – Amott

Come along to the killing grounds
It's execution day
The grip of a thousand hands
Squeezes the life from supremacy

Fool me once and I'm done
Twice I succumb
To a handshake with hell

And after all is said and done
When the dark delays the dawn
Walk your path towards the reaper
Learn that hell is other people!

In the end, we only reap what we have sown
Can't leave well enough alone
The world's at stake
Under an oath that cannot break

Lead – Amott
Lead - Loomis

Chorus:

Obey
As we
Decay

Buy me a lobotomy

Chorus:
Obey
As we

Decay

Buy me a lobotomy

Fools never cease to complain
Keep digging your grave
A lobotomy



DECEIVER, DECEIVER

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: MICHAEL AMOTT

Secrets whispered through a veil of lies
When did I become this person you despise?

Chorus:

Opened my eyes
You've been in disguise
The door is closing
You're on the outside now
It's curtain call

After everything I did for you
This is what you choose to put me through?
What happened to the concept of loyalty?
I guess there really is no more honesty!

Deceiver, deceiver...
My head still spinning from your Judas kiss
Deceiver, deceiver...
Not one thing about you, I will miss

You put on a great act, I'll give you that
Go on and take a bow, you despicable rat
Accept the applause, you king of whores
This is your grand finale

Deceiver, deceiver...
My head still spinning from your Judas kiss
Imposter, I see you
Thou beest slain, tyrant, show thy face!

Lead – Loomis
Lead – Amott

Deceiver, deceiver... I see... you!



IN THE EYE OF THE STORM

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: MICHAEL AMOTT

*The chase is on, the traps are set
Won't let them drag me back there again
The ball on that chain, it bears my name
To tame the beast in me
I still believe in life before death
It fuels the fire in me*

Chorus:

*I will run 'til I die
Under these black skies
Tyrannic law, a razor claw
In the eye of the storm*

*As darkness falls the hunt goes on
The hounds of the hell have picked up my scent
The rain pours down, I'm still running
My breath freezing the air
We may be born to astride the grave
But I will not die a slave!*

Lead – Amott



THE WATCHER

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: ALISSA WHITE-GLUZ

*Born to a flock of animosity
To be judged, to be shamed, no rights and no dignity
Beneath the Eye of disdain
Where The Watcher sees the wicked, we compel*

*Offspring of divine regret
Condemn thy Daughters of Death
Gripping the face of the Earth
Return to dirt*

Under the Eye...

Chorus:

*Don't fear The Watcher - sentinel from the skies above
The rebel angel sees through all of us
Beware The Watcher - the Earth is erased in Flood
The rebel angel laughs and falls at last*

*Does the Observer make reality?
Does the gaze activate quantum complicity?
Beneath the pyre and pain
Where we jettison body and brain!*

*Writhing with the Nephilim
Behold fire and flood!*

*Lead – Amott
Lead – Loomis*



POISONED ARROW

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON/CHRISTOPHER AMOTT
WORDS: MICHAEL AMOTT

*Silent shadows, a broken frame
The empty picture that we became
No words needed, the story's in our eyes
A crack in the mirror, too many lies*

*Deep footsteps mark the snow
Traces of yesterday, where and when to go
We never meant to cause pain nor sorrow
Now every word a poisoned arrow*

*Chorus:
Is it worth fighting for
Or even dying for
Broken, yet unspoken
The feeling is gone*

*Hostile words and heavy hearts
This is where our paths drift apart
No more anger, no more sadness
Turn the page, another poisoned arrow*

Lead – Amott



SUNSET OVER THE EMPIRE

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON
WORDS: MICHAEL AMOTT

*Welcome to the apocalypse, the end of days
Rulers of the wasteland rejoice in the flames
Futures tumble, legacies crumble
Thousands of years and what have we learned?*

*They heard the warnings, ignored the signs
Wheels of injustice kept on turning
Unaccountable for their crimes
On the streets anger burning*

*Black clouds rumble, dark days ahead
As the chorus chants for a holy war*

*Chorus:
"It's the end of an era, a new dawn will rise"*

*Words turned to war, brother fighting brother
Another false truce, as the people die
The fate of the nation forever changed
Behold - the fiery end is nigh
Behind closed doors, corruption wins
The power echelon prepare their task
One step forward, two stabs in the back
Revolution is a mere change of masks?*

*We rise again from the stench and the pain
We pass through fire, darkness erase the stain*

*Lead – Amott
Lead – Loomis*

*As the sun sets on the empire
Is there a future to be found?
Hopes and dreams... now ashes on the ground*



HOUSE OF MIRRORS

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/CHRISTOPHER AMOTT

WORDS: ALISSA WHITE-GLUZ

See the choice, it lies before you
A simple flick of the wrist
Blank doors keep the world at bay
Or do they keep the outside in?
What geometry lies beyond?
A familiar façade, keys in locks

Unhinge the future
Shut out the past
Winners and losers
Fiction and fact

Unhinge the future
Shut out the past
Winners and losers
Fiction and fact

Chorus:
Renegade are reflections made across a sharpened blade
In a house of mirrors you're never alone...
Welcome home!
Suspicious simulacra distort your flesh and bone
In a house of mirrors you're never alone

Chorus:
Renegade are reflections made across a sharpened blade
In a house of mirrors you're never alone...
Welcome home!

Lead – Loomis
You'll run
You'll hide
Or try to

Lead - Amott
To open is to invite the unknown
In to flood your once square home
The walls silently watch you
Are you watching them back?
Windows to the soul surround you
What escapes when those panes crack?

But we all
Reside
Inside you

Lead – Amott



SPREADING BLACK WINGS

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: MICHAEL AMOTT

Cast from heaven, now to rule in hell
A cry for freedom in a long lost tale
Darkness is all around me
Or is it all... within me?
Tired of living on my knees
Can I be set free, be the real me?
I can't breathe, I can't see, I can't touch, I can't feel

Chorus:
Morning star
Son of the dawn
Fallen from grace
Do not fear to tread
The left hand path
I am here
Spreading black wings

Opened my eyes, saw the divine lies
The power lies within me
Not in worship of idols
I am my own authority
Break the chains of past, sweet freedom at last
I can breathe, I can see, I can touch, I can feel!



ONE LAST TIME

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: MICHAEL AMOTT

*Life's been a losing game, every day the same
An impossible dream, a cog in the machine
If I don't make it now, don't think I ever will
So what now?*

*Frustration
Stagnation*

*"Don't dream too big, you might hurt yourself...
Just stay in line"*

*Determination
Confrontation*

I'm on my way, heading into the unknown

*Patience is running out
It's wearing thin
Feels like I'm slipping, losing ground*

*Chorus:
I'm gonna break free
Get out of these chains
I've got nothing to lose
And everything to gain
The future is calling
It's calling out my name
One last time*

*Running out of breath - on this spinning wheel
Make it real - all will be revealed
Too many missing pieces to this puzzle
I've played their game, but it's not who I am*

*Lead - Amott
Lead - Loomis*



EXILED FROM EARTH

MUSIC: MICHAEL AMOTT/DANIEL ERLANDSSON

WORDS: ALISSA WHITE-GLUZ

*We're standing face to face
With a century of mistakes
Our coup de grâce, our exodus
Embers, coal and rust*

*We'll never
We'll never learn
This time there's no return*

*Chorus:
Now we are nomads
With nowhere to go
Exiled from Earth
Racing extinction
Sapiens' deathblow
Once kings, now cursed*

Lead - Loomis

*Folded time to meet our end
Murdered our only home
Too proud to comprehend
Now Gaia reclaims her throne*

*We are all
We're all condemned
Back into the primordial soup we descend*

Lead - Amott



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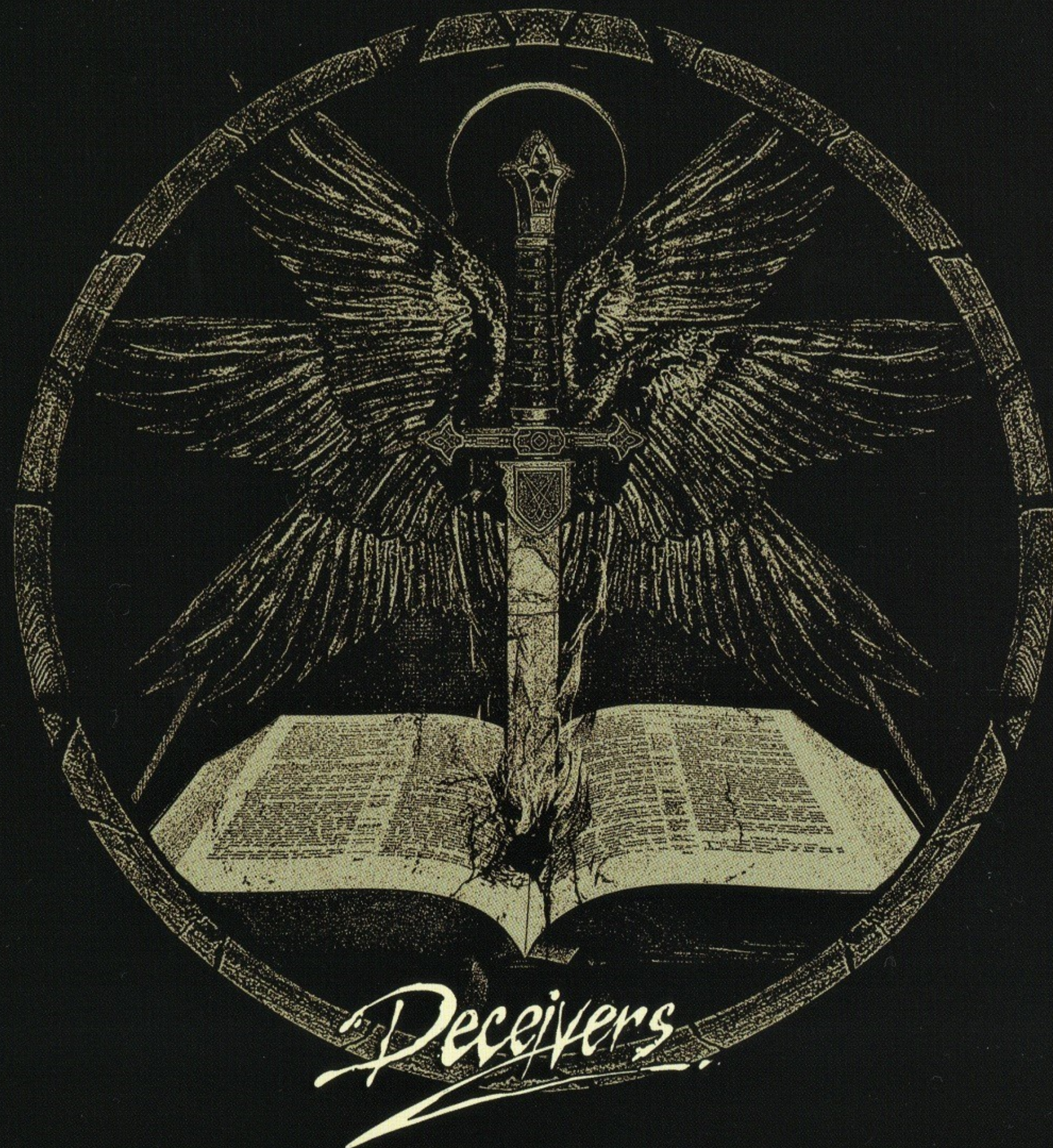
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